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Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 19:03:10 EDT
From: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: QRP-L digest 3027

QRP-L Digest 3027

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- 3) [157014] about the joystick....:)
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- 6) [157017] Re: QRP-ARCI Still Around?
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by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
- 18) [157029] Re: OT: Suspicious emails
by Dale Botkin <dale@botkin.org>
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- 20) [157031] Re: QRP-ARCI Still Around?
by <dick@g0bps.fsnet.co.uk>
 - 21) [157032] Re: WTB: Small Wonder Labs SW+ RIT kit
by "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>
 - 22) [157033] FT-817 Shoulder Strap
by "Scott Galloway" <scott@defiant.mcgeorgecarco.com>
 - 23) [157034] Temp comp caps
by "Rich Johnson" <rjohnson390@comcast.net>
 - 24) [157035] Re: Temp comp caps
by "Leon Heller" <leon_heller@hotmail.com>
 - 25) [157036] Re: QRP-ARCI Still Around
by "John Sielke" <jsielke@pobox.com>
 - 26) [157037] Re: BPL
by "Russ Hines" <wb8zcc@fuse.net>
 - 27) [157038] Re: 1N34A diodes
by "George Heron N2APB" <n2apb@erols.com>
 - 28) [157039] Re: Other lists?
by "Nick Kennedy" <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
 - 29) [157040] Re: Other lists?
by "w8diz" <w8diz@cinci.rr.com>
 - 30) [157041] Re: FT-817 Shoulder Strap
by John Rollins <kd7bcy@teleport.com>

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 16:26:57 -0700
From: Adam Farson <farson@shaw.ca>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@LEHIGH.EDU>
Subject: [157012] RE: Mars is brilliant here tonight...
Message-ID: <BLEKJMCJBOEAAIECDNNCAEJLGOAA.farson@shaw.ca>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

I'd wager, though, that the first interplanetary or interstellar radio contact between earthlings and an extra-terrestrial race will be on the hydrogen line (1420.40575 MHz), rather than on HF. That will require quite a sophisticated transverter - to say nothing of the HPA (yes - high-power amplifier), LNR (running near absolute zero) and 70dBi gain parabolic antenna...

The K2 exciter probably will not meet the relevant ITU requirements for frequency stability and spectral purity either.

As the "celestial party-line" frequency is not in any amateur band, will a contact still qualify for that ARRL award?

Cheers for now, 73,
Adam VA7OJ/AB4OJ

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 18:36:31 -0700
From: "Nick Kennedy" <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [157013] Re: Transistorized! on PBS [history of FET]
Message-ID: <012e01c36dcd\$f943f6d0\$0400000a@wa5bdu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

He patented it in conceptual form only; did not build one. Here's an
article on the IEEE site describing it.

<<http://www.todaysengineer.org/May03/history.asp>>

Brad, Brad, Brad. Roswell? Oh my gosh.

72--Nick, WA5BDU

> Brad.Thompson@valley.net wrote:
> >
> > Hello--
> > IIRC, someone named Lilienthal(?) patented a crude version of the
> > field-effect transistor
> > back in the 1920s-- does anyone also recall this?
> >
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> >
> > 73--
> > Brad
>

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 23:36:25 GMT
From: hamjoel@juno.com
To: fpqrp-1@mpna.com, qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [157014] about the joystick...:)
Message-ID: <20030828.163635.14426.110275@webmail05.lax.unttd.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

survived a 25 knot direct cross wind landing... although I chased folks off two other runways doing it...I did return to the center line of the runway I started the landing on...

the takeoff was with a weather vane into the wind, just clearing two guys cutting the grass... found this red and white flag on my wing after I landed... hmmm...
only in maine
the way flying should be...

KE1LA JOEL
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Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 19:46:31 -0400
From: Dave Fouchey <dafouchey@comcast.net>
To: WE7X@aol.com,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157015] Re: Merlin phone noise issue
Message-ID: <5.2.1.1.2.20030828194547.0272cd18@mail.comcast.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Can he get a NEMA enclosure large enough to mount the Merlin System in and ground That?

Dave
WA4EMR

At 11:36 AM 8/28/2003 -0400, WE7X@aol.com wrote:
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>his phone system.
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>*****

> Rod J
> Issaquah, WA

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 19:03:38 -0500
From: "Jeff Davis" <jeff@ke9v.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157016] QRP-ARCI Still Around?
Message-ID: <003f01c36dc0\$ff8dfe30\$9a00a8c0@81PGN11DELL>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Is QRP-ARCI still in business?

I haven't noticed any changes to the club Web site in months. Heck, maybe a year or more. I renewed my membership via PayPal six weeks ago and asked a few questions and never received a reply ... in fact, the online member lookup still shows my membership as expired.

Is ARCI still in business?

Jeff, KE9V

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 17:21:25 -0700 (PDT)
From: Garie Halstead K8KFJ <khyberpass65@yahoo.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [157017] Re: QRP-ARCI Still Around?
Message-ID: <20030829002125.10669.qmail@web80510.mail.yahoo.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

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If their Contest Chairman (K7TQ) and Certificate Manager (WB5KHC) is any indication ... I'd say they definitely are in business. Received a beautiful certificate from them today for the 2003 Summer Homebrew Sprint which was only last month. Great job guys!!

72, Gary -K8KFJ-

Do you Yahoo!?
Yahoo! SiteBuilder - Free, easy-to-use web site design software
<http://sitebuilder.yahoo.com>

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 20:27:24 -0400
From: Howard Friedman <haf47@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [157018] Wanted...Whiterook paddles
Message-ID: <20030828.202729.-804473.0.haf47@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello there and thanks for reading this request. I am looking to buy your unwanted Whiterook MK-44 or MK-48 paddles for iambic keying.

Models with built in key keyer not needed as this is for a kid who is

building his own keyer.

Please email direct and state price if you will in email.

tnx es 73, Howard WA2AFD

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Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 18:59:21 PDT
From: James R Giammanco <n5ib@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.edu
Subject: [157019] Re: Mars is brilliant here tonight...
Message-ID: <20030828.205450.7551.0.n5ib@juno.com>

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Hmmm, if we transmit just inside the 23 cm band (around 1300 MHz) while travelling toward our QSO target at about 9% of lightspeed, the doppler shift will put our signal "in the water hole" at 1420 MHz. I wonder what Riley would have to say about that ... 'course, he's have to be able to catch us :^))

72
Jim N5IB

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Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 22:11:51 -0400
From: Brad Thompson <Brad.Thompson@Valley.Net>
To: WE7X@aol.com,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [157020] Re: Merlin phone noise issue
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.2.20030828220433.01d674b0@pop3.norton.antivirus>
Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Hello--

It's possible that the Merlin's internal source has exceedingly sharp rising and falling edges, which get capacitively coupled to the aluminum shield and then reradiated via the grounding wire attached to the shield. The sharp edges produce robust current pulses in the grounding wire.

When AC7SB inserts himself between the shield and the ground lug, he's adding a resistance R to the series LC circuit formed by the shield and its grounding wire. The resultant series RLC circuit now has enough loss to slow down the edges, reduce the magnitudes of the current pulses, and thus reduce the EMI radiated via the ground wire.

It would be interesting if AC7SB tried adding a resistor (probably anything above 1 K would work) to the circuit instead of himself, or possibly slipping several lossy ferrite beads along the ground wire. Perhaps he could report whether the EMI was reduced or eliminated, or not?

73--

Brad AA1IP

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Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 22:07:50 -0400
From: "Martin Hartwell" <chartwell@worldnet.att.net>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157021] BPL
Message-ID: <LCEBJOKPGPNGOAKECJNGGEHECLAA.chartwell@worldnet.att.net>

Hi all
I am catching up on my digests of a few days. Which is another way of saying I have a lot of reading to do. I am referencing the subject of a few days ago about where the tests are being held for the BPL. I have gone to some of the referenced material and have noted a common thread. It says the test will be held in (several state names listed) but nothing specific.

It seems to me that is so that on one will know where to go to see if there is any interference, that way no complaints.

I may be overly suspicious but then we are talking about power companies here, and government departments too.

Just color me one suspicious dude.

Marty kd8bj

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 22:32:43 -0400
From: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
To: <chartwell@worldnet.att.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [157022] RE: BPL
Message-ID: <721D3436A7C2B344A301FD4A413C71A9016F3ACC@kosh.arrlhq.org>
content-class: urn:content-classes:message
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

So far, I have identified specific tests in Briarcliff Manor, NY; =
Potomac, MD; Cape Girardeau, MO; Emmaus, PA; Whitehall, PA; City of =
Manassas, VA and a few others a bit less specific, such as Cincinnati =
area, OH.

See

<http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/HTML/plc/#Field>

<http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/HTML/plc/#fccx>

73,=20

Ed Hare, W1RFI

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future generations to enjoy.

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Martin Hartwell [<mailto:chartwell@worldnet.att.net>]

> Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 10:08 PM

> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion

> Subject: BPL

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Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 22:56:29 -0400
From: "Martin Hartwell" <chartwell@worldnet.att.net>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157023] keyer for sale
Message-ID: <LCEBJOKPGPNGOAKECJNGMEHFCLAA.chartwell@worldnet.att.net>

Hi

I am going to sell my Curtis keyer. It is a fully working 8044AB, built into a Ten Tec aluminum case with wood grain on the U shaped top. Has a speed control and paddle socket in front, a RCA socket and power switch on rear. The front and rear are not finished with any paint or labels. I do believe I have the Curtis documents too.

I want to get \$40.00 for this including shipping CONUS. I will consider all shipping as light as this is, but would have to check with post office first.

Reason for selling is that I have put together a new Idiom Press memory keyer. I don't want any temptations to not learn to use my new one.

Marty kd8bj

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 22:10:31 -0700
From: John Rollins <kd7bcy@teleport.com>
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157024] Odd connector ID?
Message-ID: <a05200f00bb748e12d0b4@[63.187.200.103]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii" ; format="flowed"

I came across some strange connectors recently at a surplus store. They are both female and will attach to each other, but of course are not proper mates and not sexless. The first is part of an adapter with a GR-874 on the end. Diameter below the threads is 0.15in, and around the outside of the threads is 0.185in. The dielectric and center pin are nearly flush with the end, and at first glance this looks like a REALLY small SMA. Doing comparisons with my Pasternack catalog it is near the size of an SMC or MCX connector, but looks like an SMA.

The second connector will thread on to the first, is 0.235 on the outside of the hex nut, dielectric surrounding the center pin is 0.08in with an air gap around it and the I.D. is 0.15in. Sadly, I have misplaced my digital camera and can't snap a photo and the moment.

I can't seem to find anything that matches this in the catalogs. Any ideas on what these connectors are?

On a slightly different note, has anyone ever thought of using GR-874's in their shack for HF use? Seems like it would be handy to have a sexless connector. I guess you could use the locking version if you wanted, but these normal ones seem to be pretty secure. They're about the same size as an S0-239, so unless you're BNC crazy you won't lose any room on the back of a rig.

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| http://jrollins.tripod.com/           |  
| KD7BCY      kd7bcy@teleport.com      |  
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Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 05:10:50 GMT
From: wo7t@juno.com
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.edu
Subject: [157025] FS : DSW-20

Message-ID: <20030828.221100.4590.126755@webmail01.lax.unttd.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain

Small Wonders Lab DSW-20. Condition is a 10, and fully functional.
This IS housed in the nice blue anodized case that SWL sold with
this radio.

\$160.00 via MO with shipping included within USA

72,
Mark
W07T

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Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 01:09:11 -0400
From: Hank Kohl K8DD <k8dd@arrl.net>
To: martin@worldlogon.com, <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157026] SuSe 8.2
Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.2.20030829010631.03227278@mail.arenet.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Just got home from work and as of 12:20 EDT I have the two sets of SuSe 8.2
spoken for. I suspect some more should become available in few days.

73 Hank K8DD

*/
*/ Hank Kohl K8DD k8dd@arrl.net
*/

Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 22:28:36 PDT
From: Ken Brown <hfbeacons@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [157027] OT: Juno E-mail account

Message-ID: <20030830.002546.7815.0.HFBEACONS@juno.com>

I wonder if anyone has deleted a Juno account
and then tried to get it back. Mine says it is not
available, although it has been deleted.

Ken Brown N4SO
Mobile, AL EM50tk
HFBEACONS@juno.com

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Date: Thu, 28 Aug 2003 09:19:41 -0400
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: dale@botkin.org
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157028] Re: OT: Suspicious emails
Message-ID: <3F4E016D.AC6A2578@erols.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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mailing a little harder, but it helps me stay a little cleaner. I also
make it a personal policy to NEVER open an attachment unless I know who
sent it! The infected messages have all had the same format, a single
line of text asking you to open the attachment. Today though, I
received the first foreign language one!

73

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 00:41:17 -0500 (CDT)
From: Dale Botkin <dale@botkin.org>
To: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157029] Re: OT: Suspicious emails
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.33.0308290039070.32546-100000@madmax.botkin.org>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

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> 73
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I just never let Outlook see an email that hasn't been screened several times - once by Procmail with my own filters, once by Spamassassin, and once by NAV. I mostly use Pine on my Linux server, but everyone else in the family uses Outlook or Netscape. So far so good - five years on a cable modem connection 24/7, no virus yet.

Dale

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It's a thankless job, but I've got a lot of Karma to burn off.
PicoKeyer is available for the Rock-Mite! <http://www.hamgadgets.com>

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 07:09:49 -0500
From: w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157030] Re: OT: Suspicious emails
Message-ID: <200308290709.50170.w9ya@arrl.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Disposition: inline

On Thursday 28 August 2003 08:19 am, Bruce Muscolino wrote:

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The way the newer viruses (and worms) work, just using the above will *NOT*

keep you virus free. i.e. You are likely to know the person (supposedly) sending you the problem.

Oh well !

72

bob
w9ya

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 11:35:30 +0100
From: <dick@g0bps.fsnet.co.uk>
To: <jeff@ke9v.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [157031] Re: QRP-ARCI Still Around?
Message-ID: <000201c36e27\$f182ffe0\$e75c86d9@main>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
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Hi Gang,

Yes, we are still much in existence. However
the web site is looking for a new keeper.

Jim Stafford who nursed it along for a long time
has reluctantly had to step aside because of
work commitments.

We have one statement of interest in taking over
that we are currently looking at.

As with all changes like this it takes a little time
to set up.

If you haven't seen the latest QQ yet it was just GREAT.

Dick Pascoe G0BPS
Vice President QRP-ARCI.

Fishing is the closest thing to doing nothing at all, without getting into
politics.

All mail from me is checked by Norton before posting and is (hopefully)

Virus Free.

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 08:01:54 -0500
From: "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [157032] Re: WTB: Small Wonder Labs SW+ RIT kit
Message-ID: <000501c36e2d\$babdf220\$dd98ee42@andy>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

A SWL RIT has been located and purchased. This list is the best.

Andy N1KSN

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 11:55:16 -0400
From: "Scott Galloway" <scott@defiant.mcgeorgecarco.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [157033] FT-817 Shoulder Strap
Message-ID: <20030829145426.M5885@mcgeorgecarco.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1

The shoulder strap on the 817 is nice when you need to transport the radio but it is a pain in the rear when you are operating. I attached hook & loop on the straps and that didn't seem to satisfy me. The sticky off the hook & loop was messy, hard to get the strap with the hook & loop through the small brackets on the radio.

I have searched for mods on the strap to see if others have a good fix and I have come up empty. Does anyone know of a personal web page or an article maybe in one of the qrp publications?

Thanks for the help,

Scott
AE4TC

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 08:43:18 -0700
From: "Rich Johnson" <rjohnson390@comcast.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157034] Temp comp caps
Message-ID: <000501c36e44\$472f2790\$f877d30c@END0EB86CD98A1>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Can any of you good folk tell me were to find a few N750 caps?
I need a 56pF or 10pF.
I am trying to stabilize a VFO.

cheers,
rich

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 17:39:15 +0100
From: "Leon Heller" <leon_heller@hotmail.com>
To: <rjohnson390@comcast.net>,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [157035] Re: Temp comp caps
Message-ID: <Law15-DAV43TNyQaYIP00004646@hotmail.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----

From: "Rich Johnson" <rjohnson390@comcast.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 4:43 PM
Subject: Temp comp caps

> Can any of you good folk tell me were to find a few N750 caps?
> I need a 56pF or 10pF.
> I am trying to stabilize a VFO.

N750 generally seem to be in the range 180 pF to 330 pF, from my usual
supplier, Rapid Electronics.

73, Leon

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Leon Heller, G1HSM
leon_heller@hotmail.com
http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 13:06:16 -0400
From: "John Sielke" <jsielke@pobox.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [157036] Re: QRP-ARCI Still Around
Message-ID: <3F4F4FC8.9966.1920B5E0@localhost>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Content-description: Mail message body

They sure are. I just received a certificate for the Summer Homebrewer Sprint. Now that's fast!

John W2AGN (still wondering whatever happened to the results for FYBO 2003)

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 14:07:12 -0400
From: "Russ Hines" <wb8zcc@fuse.net>
To: <w1rfi@arrl.org>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [157037] Re: BPL
Message-ID: <00ad01c36e58\$5efcd070\$4307c00a@WB8ZCC2>

The test in Cincinnati is in the Hyde Park area, I believe, ENE of downtown.

Ed, that's Cincinnati. Thanks. ;-)

73,
Russ
WB8ZCC

----- Original Message -----
From: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 10:32 PM
Subject: RE: BPL

> So far, I have identified specific tests in Briarcliff Manor, NY; Potomac, MD; Cape Girardeau, MO; Emmaus, PA; Whitehall, PA; City of Manassas, VA and a few others a bit less specific, such as Cincinnati area, OH.

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> See

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> <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/HTML/plc/#Field>

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> <http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/HTML/plc/#fccx>

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> 73,

> Ed Hare, W1RFI

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> > -----Original Message-----

> > From: Martin Hartwell [<mailto:chartwell@worldnet.att.net>]

> > Sent: Thursday, August 28, 2003 10:08 PM

> > To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion

> > Subject: BPL

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> >

> > Hi all

> > I am catching up on my digests of a few days. Which is another way of saying I have a lot of reading to do. I am referencing the subject of a few days ago about where the tests are being held for the BPL.

> > I have gone to some of the referenced material and have noted a common thread. It says the test will be held in (several state names listed)

> > but nothing specific.

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> > It seems to me that is so that one will know where to go

> > to see if there
> > is any interference, that way no complaints.
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> > I may be overly suspicious but then we are talking about
> > power companies
> > here, and government departments too.
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> > Just color me one suspicious dude.
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> >
> > Marty kd8bj
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Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 15:58:29 -0400
From: "George Heron N2APB" <n2apb@erols.com>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157038] Re: 1N34A diodes
Message-ID: <004401c36e6d\$431cfe10\$030a0a0a@GH001188>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

We regularly use American Micro Semiconductor
(<http://www.americanmicrosemi.com>) as a supplier for 1N34A diodes used in
NJQRP kits (Sniffer FSM, Rainbow Tuner & SWR Bridge, etc.) Good prices,
product and response.

73, George N2APB

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 15:57:44 -0700
From: "Nick Kennedy" <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>,
<kd7bcy@teleport.com>
Subject: [157039] Re: Other lists?

Message-ID: <026f01c36e80\$f5a0ef20\$0400000a@wa5bdu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Don't know of other lists, but I'm sure they're out there. Sometimes special purpose ones will spring up and flourish for a while--like the 2N2/40 builder's list. There's a K2 list. Some say there's good tech talk on the Flying Pigs list, but I haven't tried it.

To help fill my appetite for more tech talk, I go to newsgroups. Some good tech/ham newsgroups are rec.radio.amateur.antenna and rec.radio.amateur.homebrew. You can use your email program (usually) to view them, or do it on the web using google. A good non-ham newsgroup is sci.electronics.design.

A search of newsgroups will probably turn up many more, but many of these may be inactive.

72--Nick, WA5BDU

----- Original Message -----
From: "John Rollins Jr" <kd7bcy@teleport.com>

> Are there any other good mailing lists like this one dealing with other subjects related to ham radio? I occasionally have ideas I'd like to bounce around on the internet that are OT for this group, and it's a pain to find the local experts on the repeaters and of course there aren't as many as can be found on a list like this :-)

> Maybe some good EE lists, RDF stuff, specific VHF/UHF/Microwave stuff, and so on. I hate to think of trying to get something off of eHam or the few other BBS-like sites(hmm... any good vBulletin or other decent BBS sites around? We need something for the ham community that is more organized and better moderated than eHam and such, along the lines of BladeForums.com or AR15.com)

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Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 17:29:10 -0400
From: "w8diz" <w8diz@cinci.rr.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [157040] Re: Other lists?
Message-ID: <017d01c36e74\$98519150\$b8cf1d41@cinci.rr.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

----- Original Message -----

From: "Nick Kennedy" <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Friday, August 29, 2003 6:57 PM

> Some say there's good tech talk on the Flying Pigs list,

This is a blatant error. There is tech talk on the FP list,
but you have to look hard. Mostly it's just fun stuff.

-Diz, W8DIZ FP#-1

Date: Fri, 29 Aug 2003 15:07:16 -0700
From: John Rollins <kd7bcy@teleport.com>
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [157041] Re: FT-817 Shoulder Strap
Message-ID: <a05200f01bb757eaf3584@[63.187.200.148]>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii" ; format="flowed"

How about putting some quick-release buckles on it, like the kind
typically found on fanny packs and such. Put a short tail of web on
the radio with a buckle like that on each side, and put the mating
end on the radio's strap. Unless having those plastic buckles
flapping around all the time bothers you...

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| <http://jrollins.tripod.com/> |
| KD7BCY kd7bcy@teleport.com |
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